

## News

### **Monthly Prayer Meeting | Wednesday 4th October, 7.30pm at St Mary's Hobs Moat:**

Please join us as we pray for the world, the local community and the work of our churches. First Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm - 8.30pm.

The **True Friendship Sermon Series:** If you have ordered a copy of the book, 'The Best of Friends', please hand £5 to Alan Doyle to cover the cost.

**Harvest:** We will be marking Harvest as part of the All Age Baptism service next Sunday 24th September. If you would like to bring a food donation, please can we ask that you bring non-perishable items. These will be delivered to the Helping Hands Foodbank.

### **Raising Concerns ("Whistleblowing") Policy**

We want Elmdon Church to be a place where it is safe to raise any concerns. To enable everyone at Elmdon to take responsibility for raising matters or unacceptable practice of behaviour, the PCC have approved a Raising Concerns ("Whistleblowing") Policy. We hope that this policy will provide encouragement and reassurance to raise any concern you may have. Please do familiarise yourself with the policy and please do not hesitate to speak with Bekah or any member of the PCC if you have any questions. The policy is available on the church website, and there is a copy on the notice board in the entrance corridor.

### **Archdeaconry Explore days:**

**Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 9am-1pm, St Peter's Hall Green,**

**Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> October, 1pm-5pm, St Barnabas Erdington**

Designed to help us all explore our vision for "more ministry not less", and what God may be calling each of us to. There will be opportunity to worship, pray and meet with others from across the CofE Birmingham, and to explore the wide range of callings that God is nurturing in our parishes and oversight areas.

Each session will begin with food and fellowship, followed by worship. We will then hear from six practitioners of key ministries important to our shared life and mission, who will encourage exploration of our own vocations. There will also be a marketplace where a wider range of opportunities to learn about different mission and ministry offerings can be encountered. You can sign up to attend on either day at

[www.cognitofirms.com/Cofebirmingham/ArchdeaconryExploreDays2023](http://www.cognitofirms.com/Cofebirmingham/ArchdeaconryExploreDays2023)



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"The Church in the Park"

## 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023

*"Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array."*

*(Genesis 2, verse 1)*

*The Elmdon Church 'verse of the week'.*

### Welcome to Elmdon Church!

**10.30am Holy Communion  
with Kids in Christ**

**Richard Huss will preach on**

**Genesis 2:1-18**

**2.00pm-4.00pm: Open Church**

**Midweek service:**

**Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm**

We continue to provide material on our website, Facebook and YouTube channel, accessible at [www.elmdonchurch.org](http://www.elmdonchurch.org)

**We preach Christ crucified  
Nobody and nothing but Him**

## Readings:

Mon	18 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>1 Kings 14:1-15:8</b>
Tue	19 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>1 Kings 15:9-16:14</b>
Wed	20 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>1 Kings 16:15-17:16</b>
Thu	21 <sup>st</sup> September	<b>1 Kings 17:17-18:29</b>
Fri	22 <sup>nd</sup> September	<b>1 Kings 18:30-19:18</b>
Sat	23 <sup>rd</sup> September	<b>1 Kings 19:19-20:34</b>
Sun	24 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Ruth 1:1-18</b>

## Please pray for:

- Residents of Lansdale Avenue and Limbury Grove.
- Sam, being baptised next Sunday, that he will know the Lord's blessing on his life.
- Jamie Oldham preaching on Sunday.
- The victims of the earthquake in Morocco and of the floods in Libya.

We have also received the following prayer requests from Emi and Tore Fernandez of Crosslinks:

“Dear prayer partners:

We thank God for being able to share requests for prayer from Santiago de Chile to those who are accompanying us in this stage of training around the world.

- For the second semester studies: so that we can continue to know the Lord more, not only in academic knowledge, but that our hearts are transformed by studying His Word.

- For Emi's visa procedures, so that they are expedited and she can have a visa as a Chilean resident, since otherwise she must continue leaving Chile every 3 months.

- For our work in the church, since in this second semester Tore is going to be preaching in Sunday services.

Thanking you for your prayers, support and love, we send you our warmest regards, Tore and Emi.”

**Next Sunday – 24<sup>th</sup> September**

**10.30am All Age Baptism and Harvest**

**Jamie Oldham will preach on**

**Ruth 1:1-18**

**2.00pm-4.00pm: Open Church**

**Midweek service:**

**Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm**

**Team:** The believers of Elmdon      **Rector:** Revd Bekah Clark

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